

Step-by-Step Instructions on how to set up a Voicethread for Classroom Use

- this method allows you (the teacher) to create a voicethread and then students can comment using YOUR login (so students must be supervised and using a computer that you've logged into - good for younger students)

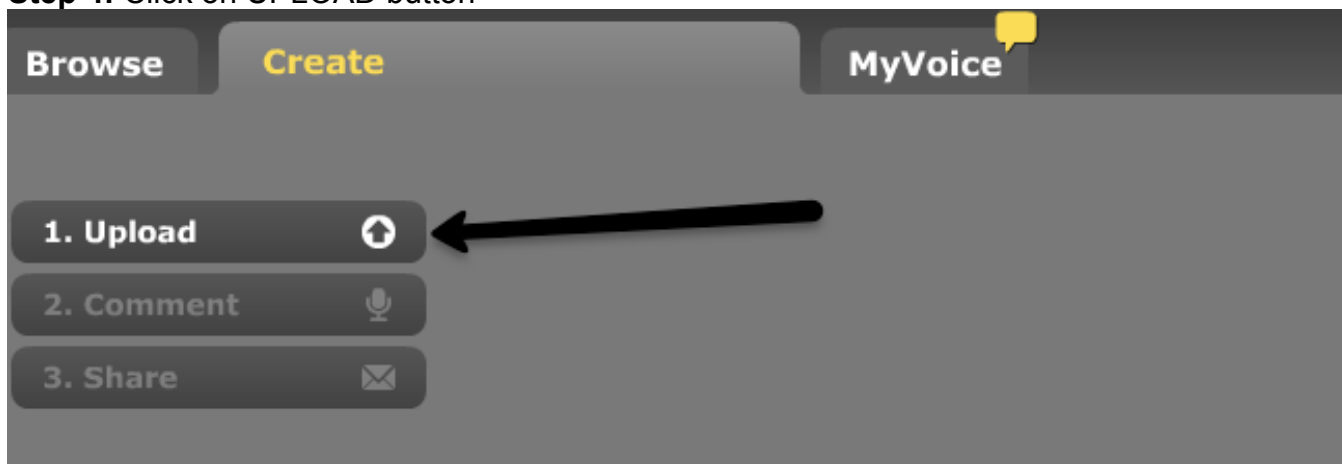
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Step 1: Create voicethread account at: <https://voicethread.com/register>

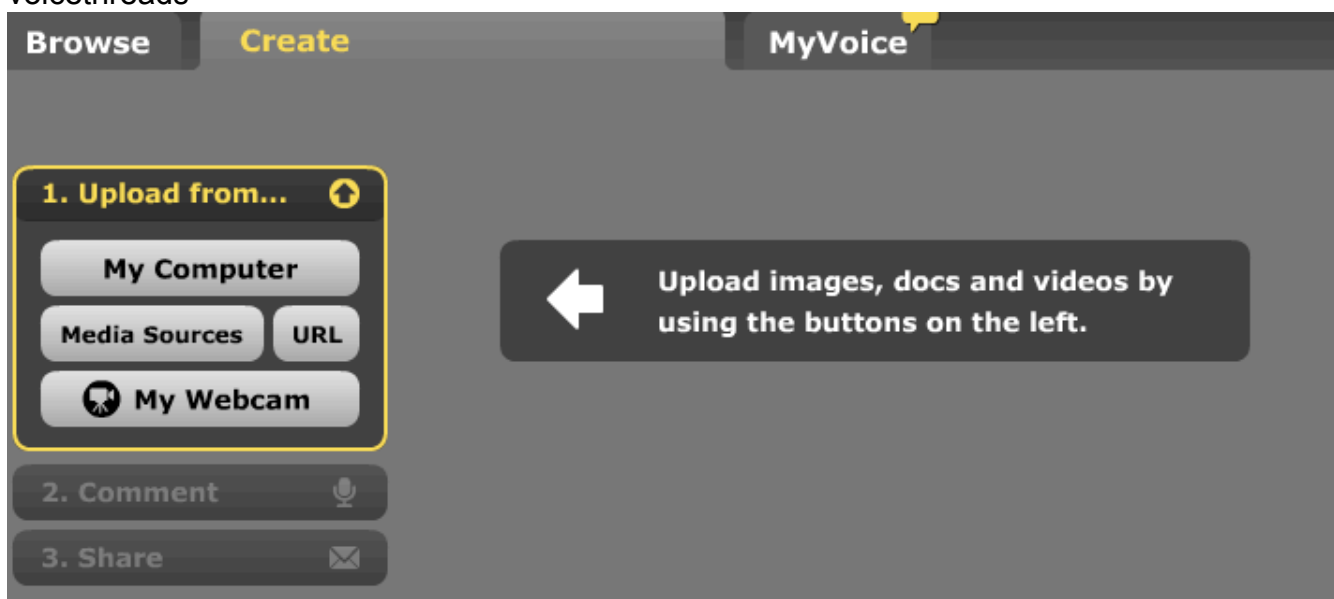
Step 2: Apply to have your account be upgraded to a free Educator account here:
<https://voicethread.com/products/k12/educator/>

Step 3: When signed in to Voicethread, click on the CREATE tab along the top of the page

Step 4: Click on UPLOAD button



Step 5: Click on MY COMPUTER and choose photos that you would like to insert in the voicethreads



Step 6: Once photos have uploaded (may take a few minutes) you can add a title to your voicethread or edit photos

The screenshot displays the 'MyVoice' application interface, specifically the 'Create' tab. The interface is divided into several sections:

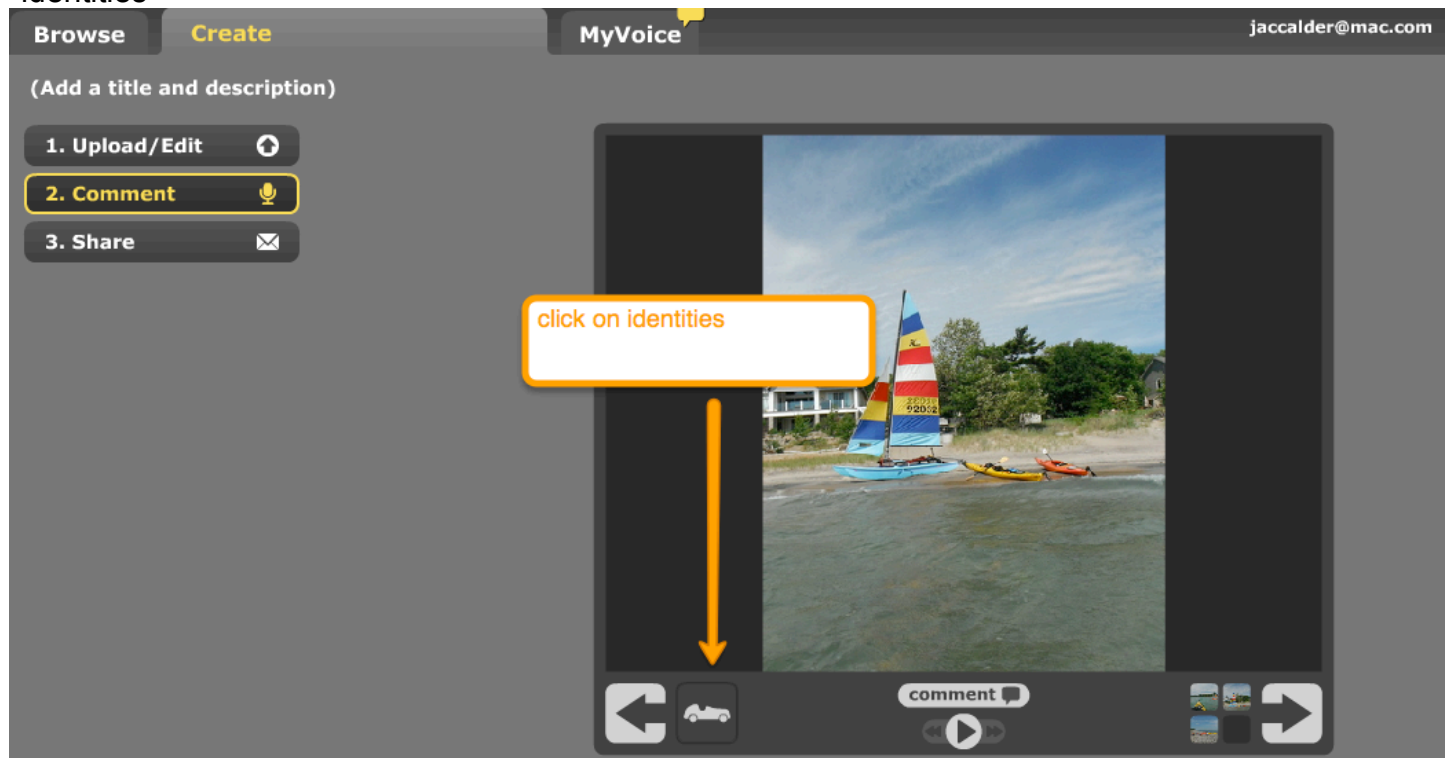
- Top Navigation:** Includes 'Browse', 'Create' (highlighted in yellow), and 'MyVoice' tabs.
- Header:** A grey bar with the text '(Add a title and description)' and an orange arrow pointing to a text box.
- Left Sidebar:**
 - 1. Upload from...** (highlighted in yellow) with sub-options: 'My Computer', 'Media Sources', 'URL', and 'My Webcam'.
 - 2. Comment** with a microphone icon.
 - 3. Share** with an envelope icon.
- Photo Gallery:** A horizontal strip of three photos. The first photo, showing a kayak on water, is highlighted with a yellow border.
- Photo Editor:** A larger view of the selected photo at the bottom left. It includes a 'replace' button and a trash can icon. Below the photo is a text field labeled '(add a title and link)'.

Two orange callout boxes provide instructions:

- Top Callout:** 'Add title for voicethread by clicking here' with an arrow pointing to the title input area.
- Bottom Callout:** 'Make any changes, titles or edits to photos you selected here' with arrows pointing to the photo editor and the title input area.

Step 7: Click on COMMENT

Step 8: On the voicethread (in the COMMENT section) click on the icon that looks like a monopoly piece (or your picture if you added a photo to your own profile). You can do this anytime to switch "identities"



Step 9: Click on CREATE ANOTHER IDENTITY



Step 10: Click on ADD AN IDENTITY. You can also edit any identities you've previously made here (example: delete last years



students)

Step 11: Create a name (students first name only most likely) and add an image for the student. Then press SAVE. It will help to have images chosen for students ahead of time. Some teachers have students create cartoons of themselves using bitstrips, or scan in drawings created by students.

The screenshot shows a mobile application interface. In the background, there is a 'My Identities' screen with a list of identities. The first identity is 'jaccalder' with a car icon and an 'edit' button. The second identity is 'test kid' with a person icon and an 'edit' button. A 'close X' button is in the top right of the 'My Identities' screen. Overlaid on top of this is a dark grey 'Add Identity' dialog box. The dialog box has a 'close X' button in its top right corner. Inside the dialog box, there is a 'name:' label followed by a white text input field. Below that is a 'picture:' label followed by a small square image of a top hat and a grey button labeled 'select an image'. At the bottom of the dialog box is a large grey button labeled 'save'. Below the dialog box, on the 'My Identities' screen, is a large grey button labeled 'done'.

My Identities

close X


jaccalder edit X

test kid edit X

Add Identity

close X

name:

picture:  select an image

save

done

Step 12: Have students create comments. Choose the identity you created for that student and then hit comment and then record.



Step 13: Sharing the voicethread. Click on the SHARE button and get the link or embed code. Click on PUBLISHING OPTIONS to change settings for sharing.

The screenshot shows the Voicethread 'Create' interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'Browse', 'Create', and 'MyVoice'. The 'Create' tab is active. Below the tabs, there's a section for '(Add a title and description)'. On the left, there are three buttons: '1. Upload/Edit', '2. Comment', and '3. Share'. The '3. Share' button is highlighted with an orange box and an arrow pointing to it from a label 'share button'. To the right of the '3. Share' button, there's a 'Get a Link' button with a lock icon, and an arrow points to it from a label 'get link to send to people'. Below the 'Get a Link' button, there's a section titled 'to Share or Select individual Groups or Contacts below:'. This section is divided into two columns. The left column is titled 'Orgs & Groups' and lists various groups like 'Grade 1 Blackwell', 'Grade 1/2 McLeod', etc. The right column is titled 'My Contacts' and lists contacts like 'Diana', 'Megan Francis', etc. Below these columns, there's a 'Send Invite' button. At the bottom of the page, there are four buttons: 'Playback Options', 'Export', 'Embed', and 'Publishing Options'. An arrow points to the 'Embed' button from a label 'get an embed code'. Another arrow points to the 'Publishing Options' button from a label 'here you can choose settings to allow others to see your voicethread or to keep it private.' In the top right corner, there's a user profile 'jaccalder@mac.com' and a 'Need help Sharing' link.

Annotations:

- share button
- get link to send to people
- get an embed code
- here you can choose settings to allow others to see your voicethread or to keep it private.